TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2077 - HB 2246

February 25, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Economic and Community Development (ECD) to conduct a study of the current infrastructure of utilities operating in this state, including pipelines or transmission lines that are used to produce or distribute gas, oil, or another energy source. The study should determine improvements to infrastructure that are needed to attract development and investment in the state, and shall have its contents reported to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2023.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$950,000/FY22-23

Assumptions:

- ECD does not currently have the capabilities, funding, or expertise to prepare a report with infrastructure project recommendations.
- According to information provided by ECD, the Department expects four steps will need to be taken to conduct the study:
 - Available county level maps of utility pipelines will be requested from utility providers.
 - Areas of counties with utility pipelines that are not mapped will need to be mapped.
 - o Input from experienced personnel on the potential improvements to the utility pipelines will be gathered.
 - o The report will be issued detailing the findings.
- The cost to fulfill these requirements is estimated to average \$10,000 per county.
- The increase in state expenditures in FY22-23 is estimated to be at least \$950,000 (\$10,000 x 95 counties).

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

• Requiring ECD to conduct a study will not impact jobs or commerce in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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